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VIA EFILING AND HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Charles Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

IN RE:

Application of Hotwire Communications, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Interexchange

Telecommunication Services Throughout South Carolina

SCPSC Docket No. 2007-341-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

On September 18, 2007, Hotwire Communications, LLC (Hotwire) filed a motion for protective treatment as trade secret of its financial statements which were attached as Exhibit 4 to the application. The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) does not object to the motion for protective treatment as trade secret of the financial statements subject to the condition that the protection does not extend to reports Hotwire will be required to file with ORS, such as annual reports, Universal Service Fund worksheets, and gross receipts reports.

Additionally, ORS may request additional financial information from Hotwire in evaluating its application. To the extent these additional documents may contain proprietary information, ORS will treat them in the same manner as those documents subject to the protective order.

Please accept the original of this letter for filing and return the copy enclosed to me in the envelope provided. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If further information is needed, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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